

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing the need for the use of "sound science" in evaluating crop protection chemistries and nutrients.

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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing the need for the
2 use of "sound science" in evaluating crop protection chemistries
3 and nutrients.

4 *Whereas, A sustainable agricultural system in the United*
5 *States is critical to the continued production of food, feed, and*
6 *fiber to meet both domestic and global demands;*

7 *Whereas, The treatment, prevention, and control of*
8 *agricultural pests is critically important to the health and*
9 *welfare of our residents and the safety of our global food, feed,*
10 *and fiber supply;*

11 *Whereas, The availability of modern agriculture*
12 *technologies such as precision farming equipment, crop*
13 *protection chemistries, genetically engineered or enhanced*
14 *traits, and agricultural nutrients are critically important tools*
15 *that allow farmers to expand yields, reduce environmental*
16 *impacts, improve profitability and provide a safe, healthy,*
17 *abundant, and affordable food supply;*



1 *Whereas, The agriculture and food production industries*
2 *have a long history of success and safety in protecting and*
3 *further enhancing the food, feed, and fiber supply available to*
4 *our state residents and the rest of the world;*

5 *Whereas, The agriculture industry is recognized as an*
6 *important contributor to the economic vitality of the State of*
7 *Indiana through jobs, capital investment, farm income, value*
8 *added sectors, and contributions to the state's tax base;*

9 *Whereas, The crop protection industry is among the most*
10 *studied and regulated of all industries at both the state and*
11 *federal levels;*

12 *Whereas, The continued success of these industries and our*
13 *Nation's position as a world leader in crop protection*
14 *chemistries, genetically engineered or enhanced traits and*
15 *nutrients depends on state and federal regulators utilizing*
16 *science based data to assess both product and ingredient*
17 *safety;*

18 *Whereas, Sound science rather than the "precautionary*
19 *principle" should be the bedrock of our nation's regulatory*
20 *scheme;*

21 *Whereas, The State of Indiana should support the use of*
22 *science based data to assess the impacts and the regulation of*
23 *modern agricultural technologies, including but not limited to*
24 *crop protection chemistries, genetically engineered or*
25 *enhanced traits, and nutrients;*

26 *Whereas, The State of Indiana should oppose legislative or*
27 *regulatory action, whether at the federal, state, or other local*
28 *level, that may result in unnecessary restrictions on the use of*
29 *modern agricultural technologies, including but not limited to*
30 *crop protection chemistries, genetically engineered or*
31 *enhanced traits, and nutrients that are not based on sound*
32 *science;*



1 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
2 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

3 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate recognizes the need for the
4 use of "sound science" in evaluating crop protection chemistries and
5 nutrients.

6 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
7 transmit copies of this Resolution to each member of Indiana's
8 congressional delegation.

